Project (NHDP) Phase-II. These projects are at various stages of implementation. Out of this an aggregate length of 29 km was completed till December, 2006.

(b) NHDP Phase-II is targeted for completion by December, 2009.

(c) and (d) The cost-over-run for NHDP Phase-II would be known only after its completion.

Report of WHO on road accidents

4678. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to a report released by WHO, road accidents are killing more than AIDS;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken note of the said report;

(c) whether Government had received any guidelines from WHO regarding road safety; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. However, The World Report on Road Traffic Injury Prevention of World Health Organization in 2004, *inter-alia*, recommended that all the Governments may assess the current status of Road Safety in their country, review policies, institutional arrangements and capacity and take appropriate action. Further, for the low income and middle income countries with limited human and financial resources it is suggested to work with international or Non-Government Organization or other partners to implement the recommendations. The main recommendation of the World Report on Road Traffic Injury Prevention of World Health Organization in 2004 are as under:—

(i) Identify a lead agency in government to guide the national road traffic safety effort.

(ii) Assess the problem, policies and institutional setting relating to road traffic injury and the capacity for road traffic injury prevention.

(iii) Prepare a national road safety strategy and plan of action.

(iv) Allocate financial and human resources to address the problem

(v) Implement specific action such as enforcement of traffic rules, planning and research to prevent road traffic crashes. Minimize injuries and their consequences and evaluate the impact of these actions.

(vi) Support the development of National capacity and international cooperation.

Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojana

4679. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the pace of work regarding construction of roads of the country under 'Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojana' has slowed down;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the names of roads which have been started during the current year under 'Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojana' in Himachal Pradesh;

(d) whether Government have formulated any scheme for accelerating the pace of work regarding the construction of the roads; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, Sir. The Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojna was only under proposal stage and was not approved by the Government.

(b) to (e) Do not arise